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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed August 3, 2006. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 14 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks begin on page 15 of this paper.